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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

BOX FEE AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on October 2, 2002 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks. The present Amendment and Response is accompanied by a request for a two-month extension of time and the requisite fee, therefore, it is timely filed.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 47 and 48, without prejudice.

Please amend claims 39-44 to read as follows:

39. (Once amended)

An isolated polypeptide having at least 80% amino acid

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